



U.S. Department of Justice

United States Attorney

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

615 Chestnut Street
Suite 1250
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-4476
(215) 861-8200

July 23, 2010

NEWS RELEASE

Today, Alex Ferguson was charged in a two-count indictment¹ with possession of a firearm in Philadelphia after having been convicted of a crime punishable by more than one year in prison, and with possession of “crack” cocaine, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger and Philadelphia District Attorney R. Seth Williams.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Alex Ferguson	Philadelphia	25

If convicted, the defendant faces a statutory maximum sentence of 12 years imprisonment, a \$252,500 fine, three years supervised release, and \$200 special assessment.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. It was investigated by the Philadelphia Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Joseph Whitehead, Jr.

**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
EASTERN DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA
Suite 1250, 615 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106**

**Contact: PATTY HARTMAN
Public Affairs Specialist
215-861-8525**

*COPIES OF NEWS MEMOS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT
<http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/pae>*

¹An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.